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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re National Phase PCT Application of

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For: Laser Diode Bar Provided with a Parallel
Connected Diode for Bridging said Laser Diode
Bar in Case of Failure

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination of the above-identified application please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.